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By Steven Brall



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## Q\&A: Asian Security and the Evolving U.S. Role

| Fureign munisters from the Asseciation of South East Asian Nations Indonesiu, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singupore. Thailand and Brunei $\rightarrow$ will hold iheir annual meeling in Singapore on Friday and Saturday. Wong Kan Seng. Singapore's foreign minister und the chairman of the meeling, discussed the agenda with Michael Richordson of the International Herald Tribume. <br> 2. Why is ASEAN ukking up seaurity <br> A. Tensions in the Asia-Pacinica region have eased. But the end on the Told Unied has allo created uncernainues. The Unied Stules. Chinal and Japan are adjusting their frealionshipp in response to the new distribution of power. Tiis process needss in be manigbd to ensure that optimal conditions for cconomic growth in East A.sia continuc. <br> Q. What form will a fumre Asia-Parific <br> A. ASEAN holds annual alats at the ministena level with six major Asia-PagiSuuth Kureas Australia, New Zesland and alse with the European Community. Wie will be metins our dishogue Parnes | again in Singapore next weak after the ASEAN foreign ministers finish their dis- <br> In May, senior officials of ASEAN beld a meeting with the seven dialogue partner. We are exploring ways to bring in China Russia Vtetnamand Laos Foreign ministers from those four countries. from ASEAN and from our dialogue partners day, <br> ihis enables us to create a unique diplo matie forum. For the time being, we want 10 set this processe teolve naturally, at it own pace. We have no master plan. own pace. We have no master plan. <br> O. Won't a multiateral sezurity framework for the Asiz-Pacific region tend to weaken the military alliances and coopera- ion arrangements that the United States has with many countries in the region? <br> A. We are ail keenly aware thal the U.S. is, and will remain a a crucial eiement in regionall stability and prosperity. It has always been ctearly underswod that maltilateral securily diakogues are intended to ments and insuitudons. They are not inSended to. and cannoL replace the Unied How However, the nature of the American | nulitary presence in the region nill certain- iy evolve over ime I see mululateral secuyity dial overues as another means of belping the U.S. siay engaged in this dyasmic and economically important region. It creases a new raliogale for a US, pres poss-Cold War Asia-Pacific. <br> Q. Will ASEAN forcign ministers endorsea Malaysian proposal for East Asim nations to form a caycus to promote fres <br> A. The proposal for an East Asian eco nomic caucus is a matrer of continuing discoussion in ASEAN. It is generilly reeognized thas more conssultaions among the East Asian economies weuld be beneoperation and promole an open ruding <br> ${ }^{\text {system }}$ Qould such a caucus complennent, or be an alkernaive to. the Asia-Pacific Eor nomic Cooperauon Ionum hat include New Zealand as wetl as East Asian counAres? No one has suggested that an East Asian economic caucus should be a dosed bloc or replace APEC. North America. Europe Australia and New Zealand are all our important trading pantners. We are | pot so foodish as to do anything that will <br> However. there is increasing interdependence athoug the economies of East derpinning for cosser consulations among Orrselves as a complement to APEC. 1 single European market can be compatible with $3 \pi$ open trading system, there is no neason why an East Asian economic caucus should also not be so. <br> Q. While Singapore has come out in support some ASEAN governments are wary of President But Clinton's recent proposal for leaders of Asia-Pacific na- <br>  2 consensus on this issute? A Tis may be discussed by the ASEAN toreign ministers There are a range of opinions in the group on President Clinton's proposal. But all the ASEAN countries recogegizt thal the UnilSingapore thinks that it is cherefore in our incersests 10 respond positively to this initiative APEC counties share this visw. 1 hope What all A PEC members w We will certainly strend |
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